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CHARACTERISTICS AND METHOD FOR EVALUATING SUCH

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## STATUS INQUIRY

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

CHARACTERISTICS

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